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a unanimous vote of thanks to Mr. Gill for his valuable and much appreciated services as auditor. The appointment of an auditor for this year was referred to the president and permanent secretary, with power.

14. *Organization of Committee on Grants.*—It was voted that Committee on Grants shall elect its chairman and secretary.

15. *Place of 1922-23 annual meeting.*—This was discussed, and Boston was tentatively recommended. (The 1921-22 annual meeting is to be held at Toronto.)

16. *Expenses of section secretaries attending annual meetings.*—It was voted to recommend to the council that Art. X., Sect. 2, of the by-laws be so amended as to authorize the permanent secretary to pay section secretaries who attend annual meetings a refund amounting to four cents per mile for the round trip in each case.

17. *Expenses of section secretaries attending the Chicago meeting.*—The permanent secretary was authorized to refund to each section secretary attending the Chicago meeting a sum amounting to four cents per mile for his round trip.

18. *Expenses of executive committee members attending spring and fall committee meetings.* It was voted to recommend to the council to take under consideration the amendment of Art. X., Sect. 3, of the by-laws so as to authorize the permanent secretary to pay executive committee members attending spring or fall meeting of this committee a refund amounting to four cents per mile for the round trip in each case.

19. *Sonora and Chihuahua.*—It was voted to recommend to the council that Art. VI., Sect. 1, of the by-laws be so amended as to remove the Mexican states of Sonora and Chihuahua from the province of the Pacific Division and to place them in that of the Southwestern Division.

20. *Benjamin collection of portraits and autographs of association presidents.*—It was voted to recommend to the council that it authorize the permanent secretary to purchase for the association the Benjamin collection of portraits and autographs of the presidents of the association (74 portraits, each with autograph letter), at a price of \$300.

21. *Proposal to inaugurate a section on History of Science.*—This action has been recommended by a large number of members. The proposal was thoroughly discussed but the committee did not feel justified in recommending it, since the proposed section would not be coordinate with the sections already established. It was suggested

that this very desirable aspect of scientific advancement (which is thoroughly approved by the committee) be organized in the new section L (Historical and Philological Sciences), to which it appears logically to pertain.

22. *Committee vote by mail.*—It was voted that Professor Pickering's method for voting by mail be generally used by the permanent secretary when such voting of this committee is requisite.

23. *The Gamma Alpha Graduate Scientific Fraternity* was made an affiliated society by vote of this committee. (It will have two representatives in the association council.)

24. *Affiliation of state academies.*—It was voted to extend the special offer on this subject through 1921. Academies becoming affiliated before October 1, 1921, are to receive from the permanent secretary a payment amounting to one dollar for each academy member who has paid his annual dues (\$5) to the association for the year 1921.

25. *Stationery for use of section secretaries.*—Proposal that permanent secretary's office furnish uniform stationery to all section secretaries was referred to permanent secretary, with power.

26. *Sectional committee personnel.*—It was voted that when an affiliated society embraces more than a single section of the association, its representatives in the association council shall not be members of any sectional committee.

27. *Railway rates for annual meetings.*—It was voted that the permanent secretary be instructed to investigate the basis on which reduced railway rates are sometimes granted to societies, with the aim of obtaining these rates for annual meetings of the association in the future. (Reduced rates for the Chicago meeting have been denied.)

The committee adjourned at 4.

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